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In re Application of
Claribel Chan, David Cheng Hu, Tim
Landvoigt, Charles Nelson, and James Tarver
Application No. 10/624,860
Filed: July 21, 2003
Attorney Docket No. 14066-011001 /
2002P00234
Title: BUSINESS SOLUTION
MANAGEMENT (BSM)

DECISION ON PETITION UNDER
37 C.F.R. §1.47(A)

This is in response to the petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a)¹, filed August 30, 2004.

On March 19, 2004, the application was deposited with a declaration, identifying Claribel Chan, David Cheng Hu, Tim Landvoigt, Charles Nelson, and James Tarver as joint inventors. The declaration was executed by each of the joint inventors save Mr. Nelson.

With the instant petition, Petitioner has submitted the petition fee, a statement of facts, the surcharge (which has been charged to Petitioner's Deposit Account, as authorized in the petition), and the last known address of the non-signing joint inventor.

¹A grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) requires:

- (1) the petition fee of \$130;
- (2) a surcharge of either \$65 or \$130 if the petition is not filed at the time of filing the application, as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.16(e);
- (3) a statement of the last known address of the non-signing inventors;
- (4) either
 - a) proof that a copy of the entire application (specification, claims, drawings, and the oath or declaration) was sent or given to the non-signing inventor for review and proof that the non-signing inventor refuses to join in the application or
 - b) proof that the non-signing inventor cannot be found or reached after diligent effort;
- (5) a declaration which complies with 37 CFR §1.63.

It is noted that a copy of the letter which was sent to the non-signing inventor has not been provided to the Office.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR §1.47(a).

The petition is **GRANTED** and this application is hereby accorded Rule §1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(a), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

After this decision is mailed, the application will be forwarded to Technology Center 3600 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0011. Please note that on approximately September 28, 2004, the Office of Petitions will relocate to the new PTO location in Alexandria. Although the mailing address will remain the same, the general phone number for the Office of Petitions which should be used for status requests will change to 571-272-3282, and the telephone number for the undersigned will change to 571-272-3225.



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Dear Mr. Nelson:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above-identified United States patent application filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code) and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, the attorney of record below would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0011. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703) 308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to the Certification Division at (703) 308-9726 or 1-800-972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

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